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**AUSTIN DIVISION** 

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EDDIE RODRIGUEZ, MILTON GERRARD WASHINGTON, BRUCE ELFANT, ALEX SERNA, SANDRA SERNA, BETTY F. LOPEZ, DAVID GONZALEZ, BEATRICE SALOMA, JOSÉ NORBERTO RIVERA, TRAVIS COUNTY, and CITY OF AUSTIN

Plaintiffs,

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:11-cv-00451-LY

8888888 RICK PERRY, in his official capacity as Governor of the State of Texas; DAVID DEWHURST, in his official § § § capacity as Lieutenant Governor of the State of Texas, JOE STRAUS, in his official capacity as Speaker of the Texas House of § § § Representatives. HOPE ANDRADÉ, in her official capacity as Secretary of the State of Texas, STATE OF TEXAS § § BOYD RICHIE in his official capacity as Chair of the Texas Democratic Party, and STEVE MUNISTERI, in his official capacity as Chair of the Republican Party of Texas,

Defendants.

AGREED ORDER REGARDING PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

On June 20, 2011, the Court held a status conference in this case. Counsel for all parties attended. Having considered the parties' position on certain preliminary issues discussed at that status conference and the agreed order regarding preliminary schedule presented by the parties, the Court finds the preliminary scheduling order provides for the prompt and timely resolution of certain preliminary issues in this cause, and that the same should be and is hereby GRANTED.

The Court therefore ORDERS as follows:

1. By Monday, June 27, 2011, all parties shall provide the Court with briefing, or join in

briefing, addressing the following issues: (1) the applicability of Perry v. Del Rio, 66

S.W.3d 239, 256 (Tex. 2001) in the event a redistricting plan is adopted; (2) whether

Perry v. Del Rio constitutes state substantive or procedural law; and (3) the extent and

degree to which a single district judge can act before a three-judge panel is convened

under 28 U.S.C. § 2284.

2. Any responsive briefing shall be provided to the Court by Wednesday, June 29, 2011.

3. Plaintiffs shall file an amended complaint as soon as practicable after a redistricting plan

is adopted. The Court takes notice that the State has agreed to accept service of the

amended complaint of behalf of all Defendants and that no additional summons is

required.

4. Defendants' answer deadline shall be extended to 20 days after the filing of Plaintiffs'

amended complaint. The extension of each Defendant's answer deadline is contingent on

that Defendant's entry of an appearance in this matter on or before Monday, June 27,

2011.

5. All requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26 and the local rules are abated

until further order of the Court.

Signed this 24th day of \_\_\_\_\_\_

United States District Judge

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#### AGREED:

### /s/ Max Renea Hicks

Max Renea Hicks Attorney for Plaintiffs Eddie Rodriguez, et al., Travis County and the City of Austin

### /s/ David Schenck

David Schenck
Deputy Attorney General for Legal Counsel as
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Lt. Governor David Dewhurst, Speaker Joe
Straus, Secretary of State Hope Andrade and
The State of Texas

### /s/ Chad W. Dunn

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# /s/ Donna Garcia Davidson

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